

# PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: RUCH

In re Application of:	)
JOACHIM RUCH et al.	) Examiner: Sorkin, David L.
Appl. No.: 10/801,485	)
Filed: March 16, 2004	) Group Art Unit: 1723
For: COMB ELEMENT WITH A SURFACE	) Confirmation No.: 1205
STRUCTURE SET BACK FROM THE	)
INVOLUTE SURFACE	)

### REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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S I R:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above application in response to the Official Action of March 23, 2006 , having a shortened period for response terminating June 23, 2006.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114
  - a. ☐ Previously submitted
    - i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116, previously filed on .
    - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
    - iii. ☐ Other

- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/reply.
  - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv. ☐ Other

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103 (c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)
- b. ☐ Other

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-0502.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
  - ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
  - iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ enclosed
- c. ☒ Payment by credit card
- d. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-0502.

Respectfully submitted,

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